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It would in my opinion be mistake to view Chancellor's objections lightly. He feels strongly about them and is fully supported by his advisors. He would press them even more vigorously if he did not

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of unregarded correspondence. Between cloudbursts we walked and played with the puppies, who are fat as ortolans. I left tonight on the special train, well loaded with Embassy personnel, for Berlin.

Monday, July 29, 1957

On a new schedule, we rolled in at 10:20, to be met by General Hamlett, Gufler, Jake Beam and others. Jake, his attractive wife and child are staying at our house and he goes on to Warsaw Friday to assume his duties as Ambassador. 



A large crowd had assembled in the Rathaus for the noon meeting. Foreign Minister von Brentano spoke for half an hour and read the "Berlin Declaration". Couve de Murville commented for four minutes, and afterwards Kit Steel and I were good for about the same. The Declaration was signed by the Foreign Minister and the three Ambassadors. The ceremony was dignified and solemn. Great publicity ^{was} ~~was~~ given to the proceedings and the hall swarmed with photographers.

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some new issue, as yet unascertainable, is presented.

I called on the Portuguese Ambassador Rocheta. He told me he came from near Faro, on the coast, where his wife was born. I told him I had met many years ago in Washington a ~~very~~ beautiful lady from Faro, a descendant of a Yugoslav on one side and of an Irishman on the other, both of whom had been wrecked nearby. He said it must have been his wife since such was her family history. (He did not comment on her beauty.) He is himself an attractive fellow but does not drink much port wine, which is a pity.

Elim and Charlie Thayer came for drinks, Charlie full of quips and anecdotes - he has a keen humor.

Cy recounted tonight some of the story of his wanderings in the Balkans in the late thirties, when he travelled by muleback, rowboat, on foot, or otherwise through the wild parts, especially of Jugoslavia and Albania. Tales of people impaled on poles and other gory punishments adorned his lively conversation.

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the case when one dines with Russians anywhere, the American contingent is expectant of rounds of caviar and vodka. We had the latter but not the former. There was course after course, and we remained at table about two hours before the Ambassador and his Minister, Kudriawzew [REDACTED] 1-301(2)

[REDACTED] took Elim and myself off into a side room where we remained until after midnight. The Minister is fluent in English and served as interpreter. We had a frank talk, but it always came back, so far as Smirnow was concerned, to the query as to why the U. S. did not extend to the Soviet Government the same confidence that marked the relationship during the war, between Stalin and Roosevelt. The answer to this is inevitable and rude, but neither tonight nor in the past has diverted Smirnow from reiterating this point. [REDACTED]

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